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For: METHODS FOR PROCESSING ANIMAL TISSUES

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**RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R §1.116**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action having a mailing date of July 7, 2003, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-referenced application in view of the following amendments and remarks. Please enter the following amendments.